Land Revenue

*Q.—153. Sri GANGABOVI (Gooluru).—

Will the Minister for Revenue and Forests be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is not a fact that the Land Revenue has been increased in the name of agriculture tax ;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that the Revenue Department is making the assessment to collect the said tax ;

(*c*) whether they would take action to stop the collection of the same ;

(*d*) the aetion they propose to take to abolish the Agriculture Tax ?

A.—Sri B. RACHAIAH (Minister for Revenue and Forests).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) Do not arise, in view of reply to (*a*) above.

Abolition of Land Revenue

*Q.—211. Sri S. S. ARAKERI (Balloli).—

Will the Minister for Revenue and Forests be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the present system of collection of Land Revenue would be abolished ;

(*b*) if so, the extent of loss to the State Revenue ;

(*c*) the alternatives thought of by the Government to make good the loss ?

A.—Sri B. RACHAIAH (Minister for Revenue and Forests).—

(*a*) The matter is under examination by Government.

(*b*) Rs. 4,42,35,765.

(*c*) Does not arise in view of Reply to (*a*) above.

Collection of Land Revenue

*Q.—230. Sri DIGAMBAR RAO BALAVANT RAO (Aland).—

Will the Minister for Revenue and Forests be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether Government have ordered that the Land Revenue should not be collected from the ryots till the end of March, 1967 ;

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(*b*) if so, whether this order is rescinded or withdrawn ;

(*c*) if not, why the collection of Land Revenue is being forcibly made by the Village Officers within the said period ;

(*d*) why the collection of land revenue was postponed till the end of March, 1967 by the said order ?

A.—Sri B. RACHAIAH (Minister for Revenue and Forests).—

(*a*) and (*b*) Government had issued instructions in December 1966 that no notices should be issued for the recovery of land revenue nor should any coercive process be taken for that purpose until the end of March 1967. Those instructions have been withdrawn.

(*c*) Does not arise in view of answers to (*a*) and (*b*).

(*d*) At that time Government were considering the question of abolition of land revenue and it was felt, that pending a decision on the question, coercive processes for the recovery of land revenue should not be resorted to.

Land Revenue Collection in Raichur Taluk

*Q.—661. Sri M. NAGAPPA (Raichur).—

Will the Minister for Revenue and Forests be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the average rainfall is only between 8 to 10 inches in Raichur taluk during the last three years ;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that the Government is forcibly collecting the land revenue and surcharge ;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that the crop condition in Raichur taluk is very bad since three years ;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that the Deputy Commissioner, Raichur has recommended for writing off the revenue and surcharge for the year 1966-67 ?

A.—Sri G. B. SHANKARA RAO (Deputy Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) The rainfall recorded during the last three years in Raichur taluk is as follows :—

Year	*M.M.*	*Inches*
1964-65	770·29	30·26
1965-66	490·32	19·30
1966-67	419·32	16·62

(*b*) Land Revenue according to the revised settlement rates is given effect to from 1st July 1965 and surcharge will continue to be collected.